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**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF ALASKA AT ANCHORAGE**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA for the use of NORTH
STAR TERMINAL & STEVEDORE COMPANY, d/b/a
NORTHERN STEVEDORING & HANDLING, and NORTH
STAR TERMINAL & STEVEDORE COMPANY, d/b/a
NORTHERN STEVEDORING & HANDLING, on its own
behalf,

Plaintiffs,

and

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA for the use of SHORESIDE
PETROLEUM, INC., d/b/a MARATHON FUEL SERVICE,
and SHORESIDE PETROLEUM, INC., d/b/a MARATHON
FUEL SERVICE, on its own behalf,

Intervening Plaintiffs,

and

METCO, INC.,

Intervening Plaintiff,

vs.

NUGGET CONSTRUCTION, INC.; SPENCER ROCK
PRODUCTS, INC.; UNITED STATES FIDELITY AND
GUARANTY COMPANY; and ROBERT A. LAPORE,

Defendants.

No. 3:98-cv-9 (TMB)

AFFIDAVIT OF COUNSEL

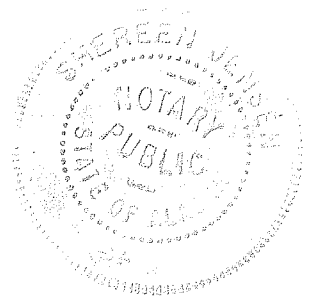
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1. I am bad faith counsel of record for USF&G, in the above captioned matter.
2. The Court issued an Order requiring that a Joint Status Report be filed by the parties on or before June 9, 2006. The undersigned counsel filed a Notice pleading in response to that Order, stating that he would be out of the area and inaccessible by telephone from June 2 through June 9. As a result, the undersigned respectfully requests the Court to issue an order allowing him up to and including June 13, 2006 in which to participate in or respond to the Status Report.

Dated this 1 day of June, 2006.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 1 day of June, 2006.

My Commission Expires: 11-17-06



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of this document was served by electronic notification on this 1st day of June, 2006, to:

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